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TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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TOWN OF ELLINGTON NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- OCTOBER 20, 2009 NOTICE OF REFERENDUM -- NOVEMBER 3, 2009

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, will be held at the Ellington High School auditorium, 37 Main Street in Ellington, Connecticut, on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- To consider a resolution,
- (a) to appropriate, upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, \$1,725,000 for costs related to: (a) the acquisition by the Town, for anticipated use for open space, active and passive recreation and other municipal purposes, of two parcels of land known as the 5 and 11 Hubbard Lane properties in Ellington and now or formerly owned by Dianna Stanger, consisting of an aggregate approximately 98.87 acres, and the buildings and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto, and (b) various site improvements to the parcels, as to be determined by the Board of Selectmen. The appropriation may be spent for the acquisition, design and construction costs, surveys, testing, feasibility and planning studies, architect's and engineering fees, materials, equipment, furnishings, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project and its financing;
- (b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,725,000, and to provide that the amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project to the extent that such grants are not separately appropriated to pay additional project costs; to authorize the issue of temporary notes of the Town in amount not to exceed \$1,725,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of such grants; and to authorize the First Selectman and the Finance Officer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes and temporary notes;
- (c) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the First Selectman and the Finance Officer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes and temporary notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (d) to authorize the First Selectman and the Finance Officer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes and temporary notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes and temporary notes;
- (e) to authorize the First Selectman to apply for and accept federal and State grants to help finance the appropriation for the project, to enter into grant agreements for the project, and to file such documents as may be required to obtain such grants; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Officer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other actions necessary to obtain such grants or to implement such grant; and

- (f) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Officer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and temporary notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and Section 606 of the Town Charter, to adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion and to submit the resolution to be presented under item 1 of this Notice to referendum, to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in conjunction with the election to be held on that date, in the manner provided by the Town Charter and said General Statutes, including the procedures set out in Section 9-369d(b)(2) of said General Statutes. Electors will vote on paper ballots and submit through the voting tabulators at their respective polling places, as follows:

District 1: Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street in Ellington

District 2: Crystal Lake School, 284 Sandy Beach Road in Ellington

Persons qualified to vote in town meetings who are not electors will vote on paper ballots at the following polling place: Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street in Ellington. The voting area for non-electors will be in a separate, designated area from the electors' voting area and the paper ballots will be placed in a box.

The aforesaid resolution will be placed on the paper ballots as follows:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON APPROPRIATE \$1,725,000 FOR ACQUISITION OF THE 5 AND 11 HUBBARD LANE PROPERTIES IN ELLINGTON FOR USE FOR OPEN SPACE, ACTIVE AND PASSIVE RECREATION AND OTHER MUNICIPAL PURPOSES, AND FOR VARIOUS RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS; AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

Voters approving the resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing the resolution will vote "No"

Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office. Absentee ballots will be scanned through the voting tabulator. Absentee ballots for both districts will be counted at Ellington High School..

Dated at Ellington, Connecticut, this 7th day of October, 2009.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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